

Westfield City Council April 11, 2011

The Westfield City Council met in regular session Monday April 11, 2011 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were John Dippel, Bob Smith, Rob Stokes, Steve Hoover, Bob Horkay, Tom Smith and Ken Kingshill. Also present were Mayor Andy Cook, Deputy Mayor Bruce Hauk, Clerk-Treasurer Cindy Gossard and City Attorney Brian Zaiger.

Mayor Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council President introduced Franklin Webb who would be serving as our page this evening.

Council President Tom Smith explained there would be one change to the agenda, Ordinance 11-07 would be moved to the next council meeting in April due to insufficient time to review.

Approval of Minutes:

Bob Horkay made the motion to approve the March 14, 2011 minutes as presented. Rob Stokes seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

Guest:

Linda Nass spoke regarding the web disconnects and some issues that the public are having with the City's search criteria and exhibit attachments on line.

Derrick Cash IT Director explained they were aware of these issues and were working on them at this time.

Claims:

John Dippel made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Ken Kingshill seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Business/Special Presentation:

Special Presentation: Indiana Accredited Municipal Clerk Certification to Kerri Gagnon

Janet Jaros, Co-Chair of Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers Education Committee, also Clerk Treasurer of Noblesville presented Kerri Gagnon Chief Deputy Clerk Treasurer with her Indiana Accredited Municipal Clerk Certification (IAMC) for her accomplishment in education in Public Service.

Proclamation: Municipal Clerks Week

Mayor Cook presented the Clerks Treasurer Cindy Gossard, and Chief Deputy Clerk Treasurer Kerri Gagnon with this Proclamation proclaiming May 1st – 7th as Municipal Clerks Week.

Proclamation: Municipal Government Week

Mayor Cook also presented the City Council with a Proclamation proclaiming May 2nd – 6th as Municipal Government Week.

Proclamation: Arbor Day

Mayor Cook presented this proclamation to Melody Jones Westfield Parks Director proclaiming April 16, 2011 as Arbor Day.

Misc. Business: Council Appointment to the Façade Improvement Program Grant Committee

Council President Tom Smith made a recommendation to appoint Councilman Bob Smith to the Façade Improvement Committee to represent the Council. Rob Stokes agreed with this recommendation. Voice vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carries.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Resolution 11-08: Parks Master Plan

First Reading – April 11, 2011

Adoption Consideration – April 25, 2011

Melody Jones gave a brief introduction explaining that the City has entered into a contract with Landstory, Inc. and Leisure Services Management to prepare a 5 year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Melody then introduced Doug Decker with Landstory and Jess Parker with Leisure Services Management.

Doug Decker with Landstory gave a Power Point presentation of the Master Plan explaining the fact finding, discovery and plan implementation of this project..

Jess Parrett explained their need to investigate demographics as they use their findings to design the programs and new facilities.

State Highway 32 Overlay Zone – Zoning Text Amendment
Introduction – April 11, 2011

Andrew Murray presented this item explaining this is an introduction to the proposed State Highway 32 Overlay Zone Standards.

He explained that the Community Development Department has been working with the City Council sub-committee on Ordinance revisions in creating this proposal. The intent of the Overlay Zone is to preserve and enhance the transportation functionality and safety of Highway 32.

Councilman Steve Hoover is on the sub-committee gave a brief background and the processes of this project.

Council consensus to move this item on to the APC

Ordinance 11-07: Allowance for Creation of Necessary Funds

This item was moved to the next Council meeting.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Bob Smith asked about a piece of property at Springmill and 32 and would like for Community Development to send an Enforcement Officer to check on this.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

The initial construction utility work is being done on the east access road

Working with INDOT and Target on the west access road.

The missing section of the Trail on Union Street is being completed. When completed this will extend from the High School to Downtown Indianapolis.

The 151st Street round-a-bout has been re-landscaped with a Dragonfly sculpture being added.

From Union and 32 to 171st Street sewer repairs will be made

Old Friends Cemetery Park has also been re-landscaped

County Council has adopted a plan for the 146th Street and Ditch Road project

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20.



Clerk-Treasurer



President